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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Bernard F. Garceau, Jason D. Collins

Application No.: 10/081,254

Group No.: 3635

Filed: 02/22/2002

Examiner: Green, Christy

For: REINFORCING BRACKET FOR A TRAILER FRAME

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity. A statement was already filed.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 0.00	= \$	0.00	
				TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$	18.00	

Total additional fee for claims required \$18.00

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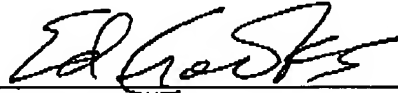
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This paper is responsive to the Office Action of May 24, 2004, and is filed within three months therefrom. As such, no extension fees are believed due. Excess claims fees, for two dependent claims are believed due.

This response has the following parts:

Amendments to the Specification – none made;

Amendments to the Claims – begin on page 2 of this paper;

Amendments to the Drawings – none made; and

Remarks – begin on page 7 of this paper.